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In re application of:

Tohru WATANABE

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.136, Applicant respectfully petitions the Commissioner for a three-month extension of time extending to November 6, 2004, the period for response to the Advisory Action dated September 29, 2004. A check for \$980 is enclosed. The responsive paper(s) are attached.

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